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NOTE TO CORRESPONDENTS

A United Nations spokesman said today that press reports emanating from Washington to the effect that Premier Fidel Castro of Cuba, "in a bitter tirade at his meeting with U Thant, had accused the Soviet Premier, Nikita S. Khrushchev, of having sold him down the river," are absolutely unfounded.

The spokesman emphatically denied that U Thant had reported that he had had "a most unpleasant trip to Cuba." In fact, the spokesman reiterated what the Acting Secretary-General had said already that his visit to Cuba had been fruitful and that the discussions he had there were conducted in a cordial atmosphere.

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CASTRO-U THANT (220)

WASHINGTON, NOV. 1 (AP)—FIDEL CASTRO IN A BITTER MIRADE AT HIS MEETING WITH U THANTZ, ACCUSED SOVIET PREMIER NIKITA S. KHRUSHCHEV OF HAVING SOLD HIM DOWN THE RIVER DIPLOMATIC INFORMANTS SAID TODAY.

THE HIGH LEVEL SOURCES SAID THANT ACTING SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS REPORTED HE HAD A MOST UNPLEASANT TRIP TO CUBA TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY.

CASTRO, THESE SOURCES SAID, VOLUNTEERED HIS BITTER REMARKS RIGHT AT THE OUTSET OF HIS FIRST CONFERENCE WITH THE BURMESE DIPLOMAT. HE STATED REPEATEDLY THAT HE WAS NOT CONSULTED ABOUT MOSCOW'S DECISION TO DISMANTLE THE MISSILE BASES IN CUBA.

CASTRO INSISTED THAT HIS FIVE DEMANDS, INCLUDING U.S. WITHDRAWAL FROM THE GUANTANAMO NAVAL BASE, MUST BE CARRIED OUT BEFORE HE WOULD EVEN CONSIDER PERMITTING U.N. INSPECTION OF THE MISSILE BASES AND INTERNATIONAL INSPECTION OF THEIR DISMANTLING.

U.S. AUTHORITIES RESTATED TODAY THAT WASHINGTON CONTINUES TO IGNORE CASTRO'S PROPOSALD COMPLETELY.

THE FEELING IN WASHINGTON IS THAT THE ARRIVAL OF SOVIET DEPUTY PREMIER ANASTAS MIKOYAN IN HAVANA ON FRIDAY NIGHT CHANGE CASTRO'S RIGID ATTITUDE.

THERE ARE STRONG INDICATIONS, INFORMANTS SAIDZ, THAT MIKOYAN, RUSSIA'S NO. 1 TROUBLE SHOOTER, HAS INSTRUCTIONS TO TELL CASTRO IN UNMISTAKABLE TERMS THAT ATTEMPTS TO UPSET THE BIG POWER APPLECART WOULD HAVE GRAVE CONSEQUENCES FOR FUTURE SOVIET-CUBAN RELATIONS.